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Sir:

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- 3. Office Actions were issued in a counterpart foreign or international application. English language versions of the Office Actions are attached as References 6 and 7.
- 4. An English language Abstract of one or more non-English language reference is included. See Reference 3.
- 5. A complete English language translation of one or more non-English language reference is attached. See References 1 and 2.
- 6. Reference 3 corresponds to Reference 4.

7. JP-A-2002-227624, JP-A-2001-102286, JP-A-09-263151, JP-A-2004-144298 (cited as JP-A-2004-343120) cited in the foreign Office Action have already been made of record in this application.

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